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SUBJ: FISHERIES: REPORTED NEW REGULATION AND ASSOCIATION
AGREEMENT

REF: STATE 089614

1. EP COUNTRY DIRECTOR MET WITH AMBASSADOR QUEVEDO MAY 3
TO DISCUSS REPORT OF PROPOSED NEW GOE FISHING REGULATION,

EXPRESSING USG CONCERN IN ACCORDANCE WITH POINTS OUTLINED
PARA 1 REFTEL. AMBASSADOR QUEVEDO RESPONDED THAT HE
WOULD INFORM FONMIN AND WOULD PROVIDE REPLY NEXT WEEK.
QUEVEDO ADDED THAT HE KNEW NATIONAL FISHERIES DEVELOPMENT
COUNCIL WAS CONSIDERING IMPLEMENTING REGULATIONS FOR NEW
FISHERIES LAW BUT THAT HE DID NOT KNOW DETAILS OF PROPOSALS
BEFORE COUNCIL.

2. COUNTRY DIRECTOR ALSO TOOK OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUEVEDO
IF HE COULD EXPLAIN MORE FULLY GOE POSITION ON APPLICABI-
LITY OF ECUADOREAN LAW TO AN ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT, AS
DISCUSSED IN QUEVEDO'S PREVIOUS CONVERSATIONS WITH
SHLAUDEMAN AND KUBISCH. QUEVEDO SAID THAT GOE WAS NOT
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SEEKING FORMAL AGREEMENT OR UNDERSTANDING WITH USG ON THIS

POINT; RATHER GOE WANTED TO INSURE THAT U.S. INDUSTRY UNDERSTOOD PRIOR TO START OF ANY NEGOTIATIONS THAT WHATEVER ARRANGEMENT RESULTED WOULD BE FULLY SUBJECT TO ECUADOREAN

LAW AND THAT THIS PRINCIPLE WAS NON-NEGOTIABLE. QUEVEDO INDICATED THAT ASSOCIATION AGREEMENT MIGHT TAKE FORM OF JOINT VENTURE BETWEEN EPNA AND U.S. INDUSTRY OR COULD BE SERVICE CONTRACT ALONG LINES OF EXISTING AGREEMENT WITH B&B. RUSH

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